

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title: **POLYPEPTIDE HAVING AN ACTIVITY TO SUPPORT
PROLIFERATION OR SURVIVAL OF HEMATOPOIETIC
STEM CELL OR HEMATOPOIETIC PROGENITOR CELL,
AND DNA CODING FOR THE SAME**

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated November 8, 2007, concerning the above-referenced patent application. Applicant has enclosed with this amendment a Petition for Extension of Time to make this response timely.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this document.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this document.

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